

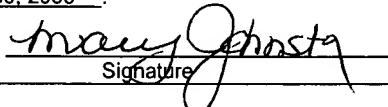


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Volker Lehmann  
Filed : May 30, 2001  
TC/A.U. : 1743  
Examiner : Brian R. Gordon  
Docket No. : 3035.12-US-W1  
Title : ARRANGEMENT FOR TAKING UP LIQUID ANALYTES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this document and the paper(s), as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on January 30, 2006.

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Signature

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2005. This is a request for a three month extension of time from October 29, 2005 to January 29, 2006. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,020.00, the required fee for this extension of time.

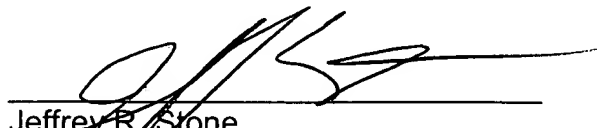
Please consider this a petition to extend the time to respond if an additional extension of time is deemed necessary by the Office. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1038 if such additional extension is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: January 30, 2006

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